The Department of Music

of

The University of Alberta

presents

OPERA WORKSHOP

under the direction of Professor Alan Ord Musical direction: Professor Alfred Strombergs

Thursday and Friday, February 24 and 25, 1977 at 8:15 p.m. Room 1-29, Fine Arts Building

C O M E D Y O N T H E B R I D G E Comic opera in one act by Bohuslav Martinu (1890-1958) based on a Czechoslovakian play by V. K. Klicpera. English version: W. Schmolka

Josephine
John, a fisherman, her fiancé
The Brewer
Eva, his wife
The Schoolmaster
The Enemy Sentry
The Friendly Sentry
The Friendly Officer

Jennifer Scragg, Feb. 24; Judy Hambley, Feb. 25
Randy Lecky
Frank Giffen
Mary Louise Burke
David Speers
Robert Mast
Jeffrey Curry
Bill Damur

Pianist: Alfred Strombergs

The action takes place on a bridge across a river separating two opposing armies.

INTERMISSION

L E P O R T R A I T D E M A N O N* Opera-comique in one act by Jules Massenet (1848-1912) (sung in French) Libretto by Georges Boyer

Le Chevalier des Grieux Tiberge Jean, Vicomte de Morceuf Aurore Michel Gervais Michel Landry Anita Noel, Feb. 24; Jill Lockwood, Feb. 25 Sandra Gavinchuk

Pianist: Elaine Dobek

Synopsis: A sequel to the story of "Manon". The Chevalier des Grieux, now grown old, but still in love with the memory of Manon, has a ward, Jean, who is in love with a young girl, Aurore. Des Grieux, who has never seen her, bitterly opposes the marriage, resisting even the pleas of his lifelong friend Tiberge. The young lovers find a portrait of Manon. Aurore appears before Des Grieux in the costume of the portrait and breaks down the old man's opposition. He is further mollified when Tiberge reveals that Aurore is Lescaut's daughter, therefore Manon's niece.

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